Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to voice my outrage over Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force local broadcast stations to air a blatantly partisan attack on John Kerry immediately before the election on November 2.

Sinclair is permitted to broadcast over public airways free of charge, and as such they should not be promoting one political party over another. In particular, they absolutely should not be allowed to force the local broadcasters to air these types of programs.

Further, it is my understanding that their actions are in fact a violation of election laws.

I urge you to step in and do what's right, by preventing Sinclair from forcing their local stations into broadcasting this political attack piece.

Sincerely, Richard J. Elliot Santa Barbara, California